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Exploring ways in which a successful worldwide civic culture can be achieved, this book stresses the need to stay rooted in local communities and traditions while cooperating with and respecting those whose lives follow other patterns. The first part of the book deals with the current state of worldwide civic culture, setting a context within history and our current social systems for building a better future. The chapters in part 1 are: (1) Expanding Our Sense of Time and History; (2) A Planet in Transition: The Intergovernmental Order; (3) A Planet in Transition: The Nongovernmental Order; and (4) Conflict, Diversity, and Species Identity. The second part deals with new perspectives on educating not found in schooling. The chapters in part 2 are: (5) Growing Up in a High-Technology Culture: Problems of Knowing; (6) Uses of the Imagination; (7) Crafting the Civic Culture through International Nongovernmental Organizations; and (8) Peace Proxis: The Craft and Skills of Doing Peace. This volume addresses the problems of understanding different cultures and explores problem solving and conflict resolution across cultural and national barriers. This book is recommended for courses in foundations of education, philosophy and sociology of education, and conflict and peace studies. Included in the book are two appendices: "Portfolio of Global Experience"; and, "A Workbook for Imaging a World without Weapons." The appendices are practical resources for students using this book. (RJC)

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